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SUBJECT: PLANS FOR KOREAN TANNER CRAB FISHERY ON U. S. CONTINENTAL SHELF KOREA

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- 1. ON APRIL 9 EMBOFF LEFT WITH MOFA'S CHOE HO CHUNG AIDE MEMOIRE SUMMARIZING POINTS PARA 2-5 REFTEL. IN ADDITION, HE EMPHASIZED ORALLY IMPORTANCE USG ATTACHES TO THIS QUESTION PER PARA ONE REFTEL. CHOE DEFERRED COMMENT ON AIDE MEMOIREPENDING OPPORTUNITY TO STUDY IT IN DETAIL.
- 2. IN SEPARATE CONVERSATION WITH AHN, MYONG NAM OF OFFICE OF FISHERIES (OFA), EMBOFF ASKED IF AHN COULD EXPLAIN HOW TANNER CRAB ISSUE PROGRESSED FROM INFORMAL IDEA FLOATED BY AHN TWO MONTHS AGO IN WASHINGTON TO FORMAL MOFA DECLARATION OF INTENT. AHN CLAIMED MOFA AIDE MEMOIRE PREPARED WIHTOUT CONSULTATION WITH OFA. HE ADDED THAT OFA CURRENTLY THINKING IN TERMS OF TANNER CRAB FISHERY IN EASTERN BERING SEA BEYOND 200 METER DEPTH WHICH DELINEATES CONTINENTAL SHELF, AND THAT MOFA SHOULD BE DISCUSSING WITH USG MEANS OF HANDLING ANY ACCIDENTIAL INCURSIONS ON TO U. S. SHELF BY KOREAN CRAB FISHERMEN WHICH MAY OCCUR. EMBOFF NOTED THAT SERIOUS MISUNDERSTANDING COULD HAVE BEEN AVOIDED IF MOFA HAD EXPLAINED THAT KOREAN INTENTION WAS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TO TAKE CRAB ADJACENT TO, RATHER THAN ON, U. S. CONTINENTAL SHELF.

3. OFA DIRECTOR GENERAL KIM DONG SOO MAY BE RELIED UPON TO RAISE TANNER CRAB QUESTION DURING HIS FORTHCOMING WASHINGTON CONSULTATIONS.

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